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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND RESPONSE TO
RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

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Title: "Human Genes and Gene Expression
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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 7, 2002. The Restriction Requirement set forth a one-month time period for response, making a response due on or before November 7, 2002. A Petition for a 2-Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith, making this response due on or before January 7, 2002. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Prior to examination of the application on the merits, please enter the following amendments:

I. AMENDMENTS

seq search
in 1/24/03

In the Claims

Please replace claims 1-8 with those shown below.

Claims 1-4 are amended. Claims 5-8 are reiterated for the Examiner's convenience.

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1. **(Amended)** An isolated polynucleotide which hybridizes under stringent conditions to a polynucleotide having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:222 or complement thereof.

2. **(Amended)** An isolated polynucleotide comprising at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of a nucleotide sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to a polynucleotide having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:222 or complement thereof.

3. **(Amended)** A polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence of an insert contained in a clone deposited as clone number M00055050C:G04 of ATCC Deposit Number ES94.